

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Top Mark Farm

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Jamaica Point Road (Barber Road)

CITY, TOWN

Trappe

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Talbot

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED☒ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES RESTRICTED☐ YES UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☒ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Trappe Canning Co.

Telephone #: 416-3185

STREET & NUMBER

Trappe Frozen Foods Corp.

CITY, TOWN

Trappe

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21673

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE, Talbot County
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Liber #: 492

Folio #: 524

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Easton

STATE

Maryland 21601

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☒ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Top Mark Farm was an interesting structure prior to its being allowed to fall into ruin. It is composed of a two story brick part with a two story frame part. Behind (north) of the latter part is a one story hyphen and another two story section. The frame sections of the building appear to have been constructed around the turn of this century.

The brick portion of the building is laid in Common bond and lacks both water table and belt course. On the west gable is a brick chimney which is not part of the original structure.

Both sides are identical, with two windows, and a door with small porch on the first floor and three windows above. There is a corbeled brick cornice. The windows originally had 6/6 sash and louvered shutters.

The interior is divided into small stair hall with room on each side. The trim is very plain. An interesting ladder exists to the attic which is a finished room.

On closer examination it was found that the brickwork on the front and back of the house is different above the second floor level. On the gables the outline of a gambrel roof is discernible. On the inside the west wall has several broken bricks visible where the original interior chimney was removed to make the room larger during the major remodeling.

The original floor plan was probably "hall and parlor" with the west side being the hall.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The building is an interesting vernacular structure, both originally and the way it was enlarged and remodeled.

It is of interest because it is a late example of the use of the gambrel roof, having been built around 1810 and it is of interest because it did not remain in that form very long for the corbeled cornice is usually associated with buildings of the 1820's and 1830's.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME : TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

DATE

Jan. 20, 1976

TELEPHONE

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STATE

Maryland 21401

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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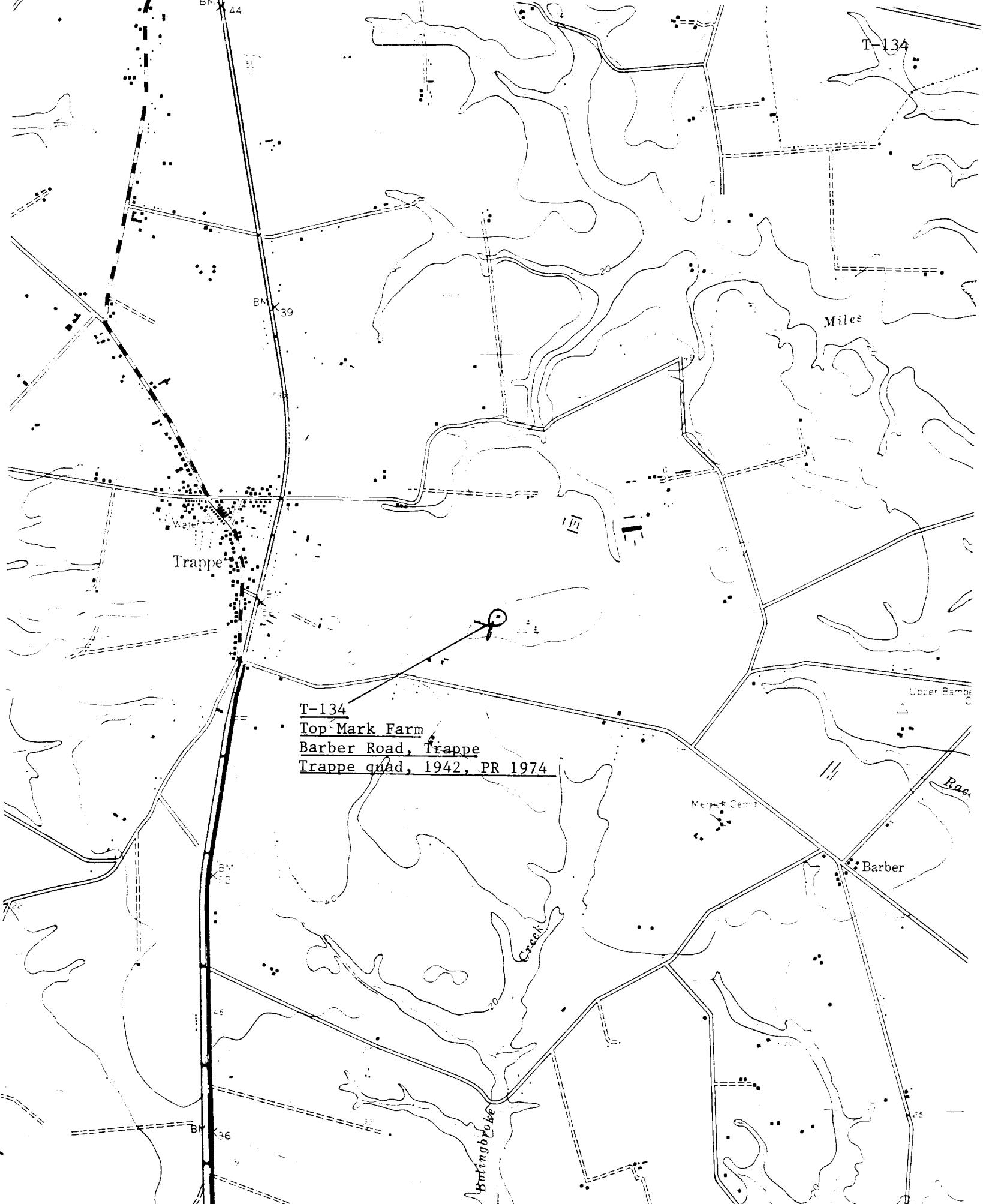
Dist. No. 3

TALBOT CO.

LAKE, GRIFFING & STEVENSON
1877 ATLAS

T-134





T-134

Miles

Trappe

T-134
Top-Mark Farm
Barber Road, Trappe
Trappe quad, 1942, PR 1974

Upper Bambo

Rac.

Barber

Market Cent

Creek



12 x 1.53

75% 134

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M. Bourne

1/76





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Top Mark

Eb Jones

8/1975

Neg-MHT